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**BOWIE, LAFITTE & CO.,**  
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**BOWIE, BRO. & CO.,**  
Factors and Commission  
MERCHANTS,  
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JOHN A. BOWIE,  
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Sept. 14, 1860, 20, 3m

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**WAREHOUSE**  
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**COTTON, BACON, GRAIN,**  
And all other produce consigned to him. Personal  
attention given to the filling of all orders  
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Liberal cash advances made on produce in  
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June 24, 1860, 8 ft

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**CELEBRATED FEMALE PILLS.**  
PROTECTED BY PATENT.  
BY ROYAL WARRANT.

This invaluable medicine is unfailing in the  
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eases incident to the female constitution. It  
moderates all excesses and removes all ob-  
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It is peculiarly suited. It will, in a short time  
bring on the monthly period with regularity.  
CAUTION—These Pills should not be taken  
by females that are pregnant, during the first  
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In all cases of Nervous and Spinal Affections  
Pain in the Back and Limbs, Headaches, Fatigues  
on slight exertion, Palpitation of the Heart,  
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Whites and all the painful diseases occasioned  
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A bottle containing 50 pills, and enclosed  
with the Government Stamp of Great Britain,  
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Sent in Abbeville by Donald McLaughlin,  
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A benevolent institution established by special  
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tressed, afflicted with Violent and Epidemic  
Diseases.

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**CHARLES COX,**  
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WOULD respectfully inform the public that  
he has  
**OPENED A SHOP**  
FOR THE  
**Making and Repairing of**  
**CARRIAGES & BUGGIES.**  
It is opposite (but not opposed) to Mr. Taylor's  
Establishment. He hopes that by doing good  
work, and making reasonable charges, to receive  
a share of public patronage.  
He has on hand at this time, several  
**SEVERAL NEW AND NEAT BUGGIES,**  
**ALSO,**  
**Second-Hand Buggies,**  
which he will sell very low and on the most  
reasonable terms.  
Nov. 4, 1860, 27 ft.

**JAMES D. CHALMERS.**  
ABBEVILLE C. H., S. C.,  
DEALER IN ALL KINDS OF  
**EUROPEAN AND AMERICAN**  
**MARBLE,**  
HAS just received three hundred new pieces  
of Marble, together with the old, making one of the  
largest stocks in the State which will be sold  
as low as can be bought in any other place.

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6 feet by 3, from \$26 to \$40

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And Fancy Head Stones always on hand to-  
gether with a large quantity of designs, which  
can be made to order at short notice.  
All Marble Cutting and Carving neatly done  
at J. D. CHALMERS.  
Jan. 26, 1860, 40 ft

**DR. JAMES F. HARRY**  
WOULD inform the public that he has re-  
turned to the village, and will continue the  
practice of medicine. He may be found at the  
MARSHALL HOUSE, unless professionally en-  
gaged.  
March, 1860, 44 ft

**CORN,**  
A LARGE LOT of Greenville Corn for  
Sale Apply to  
JAS. H. COBB.  
May 26th, 1860

**THE INDEPENDENT PRESS.**

BY LEE & WILSON.

ABBEVILLE S. C.

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Dollars and Fifty Cents at the  
Expiration of the Year.

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time of advertising, will be considered a  
standing order, and will be continued until ar-  
rangements are made, or at the option of the Proprietors.  
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ered due as soon as the work is done.

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AND  
**NEGROES**  
FOR SALE.

THE Subscribers offers for sale his LAND,  
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**740 OR 50 ACRES,**  
Situated on Greenville and Bellwether roads,  
five miles North-West of Calhoun's Mills, and  
bounded by J. A. Norwood, W. McElwee, and  
J. A. Calhoun, in good order and repair, well  
adapted for raising and every thing usually kept  
on a plantation.  
For further information address  
DR. EDWIN PARKER,  
Abbeville C. H., S. C.  
June 26, 1860, 9, 12m

**W. N. MERHWETHER,**  
Wholesale and Retail Druggist,  
NINETEEN, S. C.  
HAVING enlarged his Stock of Drugs  
and Medicines, would respectfully call  
the attention of his friends and the public gen-  
erally to his fine stock of the same, and solicit  
the patronage of his kind patrons and lib-  
erality.

He proposes selling Drugs as low as any first  
class Drug Store in the up-country. His stock  
is complete, and everything sold by him is  
warranted to be fresh and genuine. At his  
store may be found  
**DYE STUFFS, PAINTS, OILS**  
Varnishes, and Paint Brushes,  
Spirits, Macs, Caves, Pepper, Tea,  
of all kinds, Buggy and Carriage  
Grease,  
Also, a fine lot of CHEWING TOBACCO,  
and SHAGS of the best brands.  
A large and varied stock of excellent  
**PERFUMERY.**  
He also offers Confectionary,  
**BRANDIES,**  
Pure Old Port, Madeira and Malaga  
**WINE & CIGARS.**  
At exceedingly low figures. Also, a good ar-  
ticle of Apple Vinegar, Kerosene, Oils and  
kinds, Lamps of all kinds. Wicks for any  
kind of lamp, and everything usually kept  
in a first class Drug Store. To be given to all.  
May 26, 1860—1 ft

**DR. WM. A. ALLEN,**  
SURGEON DENTIST.  
HAVING graduated in the  
Dental College of Philadelphia,  
offers his services to the public.  
Being thoroughly posted in all the departments  
of dentistry, he flatters himself that he  
will be enabled to give entire satisfaction to  
those who may favor him with their patronage.  
Room—Over the new Book and Drug  
Store of Mr. C. H. Allen, in White's Building.  
April 4, 1860 60 ft

**U. S. Marshall's Sales.**  
BY Virtue of a writ of *Fieri Facias*  
issuing out of the U. S. Court, and to  
me directed, I will sell at Abbeville Court  
House on the FIRST WEDNESDAY IN NO-  
VEMBER next, the following named prop-  
erty:  
1st. One House and Lot in Greenwood,  
containing 10 Acres, more or less, upon which  
W. W. Waller resides.  
2d. One Store House and Lot in the Village  
of Greenwood, containing Two Acres, more  
or less, in which Perryman, Waller & Co. are  
doing business.  
3d. One Tract of Land at or near New  
Market, upon which W. W. Perryman resides,  
containing 600 Acres, more or less.  
The above have been levied upon as the  
property of W. W. Perryman, at the suit of  
Perryman, Paynter & Davis, vs. Perryman &  
Tarrant, and Codin D. Waller vs. Perryman  
& Waller, and T. C. Grewe.  
TERMS CASH.  
T. A. ROGERS,  
U. S. Dep. Marshal.  
Oct 11, 1860, 24 ft

**WE HAVE BEEN FRIENDS TOGETHER.**  
We have been friends together,  
In sunshine and in shade,  
Since first beneath the trees  
In infancy we played;  
But coolness dwells within my heart,  
A cloud is on my brow;  
We have been friends together,  
Shall a light word part us now?

We have been friends together,  
We have laughed at life's jests;  
For the font of hope was gushing  
Warm and joyous in our breasts;  
But laughter now hath fled thy lips,  
And sullen gloom is on thy brow;  
We have been friends together,  
Shall a light word part us now?

We have been sad together,  
We have wept with bitter tears  
O'er the grass grown grave where slept  
The hope of early years.  
Thou who is silent there  
Wouldst bid thee clear thy brow;  
We have been sad together,  
Oh, what shall part us now?

**SONG.**  
BY LORD MACALEY.  
O stay, Madonna! stay,  
Tis not the dawn of day  
That marks the skies with yonder opal  
The stars in silence shine:  
Then press thy lips to mine,  
And rest upon my neck thy fervid cheek.

O sleep, Madonna! sleep;  
Leave me to watch and weep  
O'er the sad memories of departed joys,  
O'er hopes extinguished by am,  
O'er fancy's vanished dream,  
O'er all that nature gives and man destroys.

O wake, Madonna! wake;  
Even now the purple lake  
Is dappled o'er with amber flakes of light;  
A glow is on the hill,  
And every trickling rill  
In golden threads leaps down from yonder  
height.

O fly, Madonna! fly,  
Lost day and envy spy  
What love and night may safely know;  
Fly, and tread softly, dear!  
Lest those who hate us hear  
The sound of thy light footsteps as they go.

The doing of the House of Representa-  
tives have been aptly illustrated by the  
Philadelphia Journal in a new version of  
"Mother Goose."

"There were Congressmen in Washington,  
And they were wondrous wise,  
They batted until they found  
They could not organize;  
And when they found this would not do,  
With all their might and main,  
They got advances on their pay,  
And batted again."  
"Hey diddle diddle,  
The 'chair' in the middle!  
The 'Congress' will organize soon,  
The lobbyists laugh to see the sport,  
And all feed from the National spoon!"

**Fall and Winter Styles**  
**HATS AND CAPS**  
AT C. P. REMSEN'S  
124 Broad Street, opposite the Augusta Hotel,  
Augusta, Ga., and Columbia, S. C.  
JUST RECEIVED, the following new goods:  
Gents' Fine Mole-skins, Cassimeres and  
Soft Hats, various colors and styles with a  
complete stock of Gents' Fine Boys and Chil-  
dren's FANCY CAPS. Also, Country-made  
Wool Hats for Plantation use.

**JOHN WOOLLEY'S**  
**Graniteville Hats,**  
He is now manufacturing all qualities of Fur  
Hats, as Low as \$1.50. My Goods are all  
made to order, and warranted for style and  
durability. The public is invited to call and  
examine for themselves.  
Oct. 6, 1860, 1 ft  
**C. P. REMSEN.**

**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,**  
ABBEVILLE DISTRICT.  
Office Court of Common Pleas and Gen'l Sessions  
E. Noble,  
vs.  
Peter S. Burton  
Attachment.

WHEREAS the Plaintiff did, on the fourteenth  
day of November, eighteen hundred and  
fifty nine, file his declaration against the De-  
fendant, who (it is said) is absent from and  
without the limits of this State, and has neither  
wife nor attorney known within the same, up-  
on whom a copy of said declaration might be  
served; It is therefore ordered, that the said  
Defendant do appear and plead to the said de-  
claration, on or before the fifth day of Novem-  
ber, eighteen hundred and sixty, otherwise  
final and absolute judgment will then be  
given and awarded against him.  
MATTHEW McDONALD, C. C. P.  
Clerk's Office, Nov. 13, 1860, 20, 12m.

**PLUGHS! PLUGHS!**  
300 ONE HORSE PLOWS,  
160 TWO HORSE PLOWS,  
For sale low by  
**CARMICHAEL & BEAN,**  
Sept. 28, 1860, 22-4m

**VERELL & JACKSON,**  
HOUSE PAINTERS, GRAINERS, HARDWARE  
AND PAINTS, &c., &c.  
NINETEEN SIX, S. C.  
J. P. VERELL, CALLED JACKSON.  
Jan. 27, 1860, 13m

**NOTICE.**  
APPLICATION will be made at the next  
Session of the Legislature to amend the  
Charter of the Masonic Female Institute, Cokes-  
bury.  
(August 10, 1860, 6th)

**DR. S. HENRY BEARD,**  
DENTIST, ABBEVILLE C. H., S. C. Office  
over Branch & Parker's Drug Store.  
May 25, 1860, 4, 12m.

**AUGUSTA HOTEL.**  
W. E. WELSH, Proprietor.

**ASSAULT ON A RUSSIAN PRINCE.**  
Several distinguished members of the  
Russian imperial family are at present stay-  
ing in the beautiful watering place at Tor-  
quay. His imperial highness the young  
Prince Eugene, lives with his brother,  
Prince Nicholas, at the Villa Syracuse; and  
the Grand Duchess Marie, the young  
Prince Serge and George, with the suite,  
occupy a mansion called the "Cove." The  
Distance between the two places is about  
a third of a mile. The Prince Eugene,  
who is about fourteen years of age, was  
returning from a visit to his mother, the  
Grand Duchess, to his own residence,  
which adjoins that lately occupied by the  
Prince of the Netherlands, and is at the  
foot of d'Altholme Plain, which is much  
frequented by the gentry occupying the  
surrounding villas. The Prince, who was  
unattended, was here overtaken by a man,  
described by his highness as possessing a  
foreign appearance, not very tall, with  
sandy hair, and who he thinks, was a  
Pole. This fellow who was armed with a  
walking stick, advanced toward the  
Prince, and without saying anything, struck  
him a violent blow on the arm.—  
Whether the ruffian who could thus attack  
a defenceless boy desired to plunder his  
highness, or whether, if he was a refugee  
Pole, he had any revengeful feelings to-  
ward the imperial family, is not ascertain-  
ed. But, at all events, he followed up the  
first blow with another. His highness—  
who, although so young, possesses con-  
siderable courage and presence of mind—  
defended himself with an umbrella which  
he had in his hand, and struck his assail-  
ant a blow on the mouth, at the same time  
telling him that he was a Russian Prince.  
This announcement had an extraordinary  
effect upon the coward, who at once fell  
on his knees and begged his pardon, after  
which he decamped. Prince Eugene has  
sustained and gave information of the  
assault. The circumstance is much re-  
gretted by the inhabitants of the town,  
as the Prince has much endeared himself  
to them by his amiability.

**A HEART IN THE RIGHT PLACE.**—I  
am wedded, says Coleridge, to the fortunes  
of my sister and my poor old father. Oh,  
my friend; I think sometimes could I re-  
call the days that were passed, which  
among them should I choose? Not those  
merry days, not the pleasant days of  
hope, not those wanderings with a fair  
haired maid, which I have so often and so  
feelingly regretted—but the days, Cole-  
ridge, of a mother's fondness for her school  
boy. What would I give to call her  
back to earth for one day, that I might  
my knees, ask her pardon for all these lit-  
tle asperities of temper which from time  
to time have given her gentle spirit pain!  
And the day, my friend, I trust may  
come, when there will be kind offices of  
love, if heaven's eternal years be ours.—  
Oh, my friend, cultivate the filial feeling!  
Let no man think himself released from  
the kind charities of relationship! These  
are the best foundations of every species  
of benevolence.—Charles Lamb.

**CENTRAL HEAT OF THE EARTH.**—The  
rate of increase of heat is equal to one de-  
gree of Fahrenheit for every forty-five feet  
of descent. Looking to the result of such  
a rate of increase, it is easy to see that at  
seven thousand and ninety feet from the  
surface the heat will reach two hundred  
and twelve degrees, the boiling  
point of water. At twenty-five thousand  
five hundred feet it will melt lead; at seven  
miles it will maintain a glowing red heat;  
twenty-one miles melt gold; at seventy-four  
miles cast iron; ninety-seven miles soften  
iron; and at one hundred miles from the  
surface all will be fluid as water, a mass of  
boiling and molten rock in a perpetually  
molten state, doomed possibly never to be  
cooled or crystallized. The heat here will  
exceed any with which man is acquainted;  
it will exceed the heat of the electric spark,  
or the effect of a continuous voltaic current.  
The heat which melts platinum as if it were  
wax is ice to it. Could we visually ob-  
serve its effects, our intellect would afford  
no means of measuring its intensity. Here  
is the region of perpetual fire, the source  
of earthquake and volcanic power.—Recre-  
ative Science.

**FANNY FERN'S "AWE" OF A HUSBAND.**—A lady having remarked that awe  
is the most delicious feeling a wife can hold  
toward her husband, Fanny Fern thus com-  
ments:  
"Awe of a man whose whiskers you have  
trimmed, whose hair you have cut, whose  
cravat you have tied, whose shirt you have  
put into wash, whose boots and shoes you  
have kicked into the closet, whose dressing  
gown you have worn while combing your  
hair, who has been down in the kitchen  
with you at eleven o'clock at night to hunt  
for a chicken bone, who has hooked your  
dresses, unlaced your boots, and tied your  
bonnet, who has stood before your looking-  
glass with thumb and finger on your proboscis,  
scratching his chin, whom you have bat-  
tered and teased, whom you have seen  
sleeping with his mouth wide open; ridi-  
culous!"

**SUMMER SKATING.**  
The Home Journal thus describes the  
Summer Skate:  
Among the novelties of the season—an  
invention destined to act an important  
part in the physical education of children  
is a skate adapted for the house, which can  
be used on a carpeted or uncarpeted floor.  
With a pair of these skates on her feet a  
young lady can soon learn the art of skat-  
ing to a degree that will enable her suc-  
cessfully to accomplish on the ice, and with  
steel skates, that which has heretofore been  
to her a much-coveted but almost despair-  
ed of obtaining enjoyment. All the benefits  
that are to be derived from that healthful  
exercise, are now placed within the reach  
of the most delicate; and floor-skating will  
henceforth be included among home  
amusements to the delight of childhood  
and the gratification of age. The floor-  
skate is simply a frame of ornamental iron,  
nearly the shape and size of the wood part  
of the common skate, with, instead of the  
steel runner, four rollers or wheels of gutta  
percha, measuring about three inches in cir-  
cumference, each of which revolves on a  
separate axle; these rollers of course, rest  
on the floor, and turn with the movements  
of the skater. The skate is strapped to the  
foot in a manner similar to the ice skate,  
with wide leather bands, superior in every  
respect to the common strap. The inhabi-  
tants of the South, whose facilities for skat-  
ing have hitherto been limited, may now  
rival in this exercise, amid orange groves  
and balmy breezes, their Northern breth-  
ren, surrounded by ice and snow and chill-  
ing winds. A waxed floor is, perhaps, the  
best adapted for this sport; a long hall cov-  
ered with oil-cloth is, probably, the next;  
but if these are not accessible, a carpeted  
room of any kind will answer. Being elas-  
tic, the rollers do not wear the carpet, as  
they would if formed of wood or metal.

**A BRIGHT BOY.**  
We never read the scene in Henry IV.,  
where Falstaff and Prince Henry exchanged  
characters, without thinking of a similar  
one said to have occurred in an ancient  
personage a great while ago. The Rev. Mr.  
Regulus was an excellent man, rather  
eccentric and somewhat eccentric. As a  
farmer's boy, used sometimes to go with  
presents to the parsonage, a sharp-eyed little  
fellow, but rather ungainly in his manners.  
One day he brought in a leg of mutton,  
laid it down without ceremony, and was  
making off.

"I'll teach that boy a lesson in good man-  
ners," said Mr. Regulus to his wife. "He  
needs to have the clown rubbed off a lit-  
tle."

"Jonas! come back here a moment.  
Don't you know, my fine fellow, that you  
shouldn't come into a house in this way  
without knocking, and with your hat on.  
Sit down in my arm-chair. Imagine your-  
self the minister, and I'll come in with the  
mutton, and show you how a boy ought to  
behave."

Jonas sits up gravely in the arm-chair,  
and Mr. Regulus goes out with the leg of  
mutton.

Enter Mr. Regulus, in the character of  
Jonas. He takes off his hat with a low  
bow.

"My father sends his compliments to Mr.  
Regulus, and asks his pardon to accept a  
token of his regard."

"Thank you, Mrs. Regulus, just give  
that boy a whiplash!"

The lesson was mutual.—[Monthly Re-  
ligious Magazine.

**POETRY.**—Dr. Reese, of the Methodist  
Protestant, thus confesses:  
"We acknowledge that as we grow older  
we become more fastidious about new-  
spaper poetry. Mere commonplace, strung  
together in rhyme, do not please us. And  
yet it pains us to reject what is often timi-  
dly presented by young writers. We re-  
member when we made our first efforts in  
that line—how anxiously we looked for the  
paper that was expected to contain them,  
and how unjust seemed to us the decision  
that consigned them to oblivion. See, there  
we have betrayed ourselves. Yes, in more  
than one instance were our boyish verses  
tossed under the table by editorial indiffer-  
ence. The editors were right. We thank  
every body who sends us a communication,  
and it would afford us pleasure to insert  
every article sent to us, if we could do so  
in good conscience."

**VERY GOOD.**—A minister's wife says:  
The first time I took my eldest boy to  
church, when he was two years and a half  
old, I managed with candles and fowls  
and candy, to keep him very still till the  
sermon was half done. By this time his  
patience was exhausted, and he climbed to  
his feet, and stood on the seat, looking at  
the preacher (his father) quite intently.  
Then, as if he had hit upon a certain relief  
for his trouble, he pulled me by the chin to  
attract my attention, exclaimed, in a dis-  
torted voice, "Mamma, make papa say A-  
men!"

**TABLE MANNERS.**  
Many gentlemen of education and cul-  
ture have experienced the sad feeling of  
having wives or children come to the table,  
only to fret and growl, and complain, and  
sulk. It is horrible to think of. And yet  
it may be presumed that the happiness of  
quite as excellent wives is marred, if not  
wholly eaten out, by husbands who come to  
the table with a terrible dignity, or with  
selfishness so predominant that it places  
everybody else and everything under tribute  
to its supreme gratification; moroseness  
stamped on every feature; a belittling  
querulousness in every uttered sentence.  
Here one comes now as stately as a turkey-  
cock, as cross as a bear, and as a corn-cob.  
He speaks in short, crusty words; the in-  
nocent prattle of his children is an apparent  
torture to him; there must not be a whim-  
per or a whisper, for he is poring over a  
newspaper, or in the midst of some plan or  
project for gain or fame. His very pres-  
ence is felt as a cloud, an incubus, an ice-  
berg; and there is only gladness when he  
is gone; it is then only that the sunshine  
of family affection and love comes out, and  
filial and motherly sympathies swell up  
from loving hearts.

To meet at the breakfast table, father,  
mother, children, all well, ought to be a  
happiness to any heart; it should be a  
source of humble gratitude, and should  
wake up the warmest feelings of our nature.  
Shame upon the contemptible and low-bred  
cur, whether parent or child, that can ever  
come to the breakfast table, where all the  
family have met in health, only to frown,  
whine, and growl, and fret! It is *prima*  
facie evidence of a mean, and grovelling,  
and selfish, and degraded nature, whence-  
ever the churl may have sprung. Nor is  
it less reprehensible to make such exhibi-  
tions at the tea-table; for before the morn-  
ing comes, some of the little circle may  
be stricken with some deadly disease, to  
gather around that table no again forever!

Children in good health, if left to them-  
selves at the table, become, after a few  
momentous, garrulous and noisy; but if  
within at all reasonable or bearable bounds  
it is better to let them alone; they eat less,  
because they do not eat so rapidly as if  
compelled to keep silent, while the very  
exhibition of spirits quickens the circulation  
of the vital fluids, and energizes diges-  
tion and assimilation.

The extremes of society curiously meet  
in this regard. The tables of the rich and  
the nobles of England are models of mirth  
wit and bonhomie; it takes hours to get  
through a repast, and they live long. If  
anybody will look in upon the negroes of a  
well-to-do family in Kentucky, whilst at  
their meals, they cannot but be impressed  
with the perfect abandon of their jabber,  
exclamation and mirth; it seems as if they  
could talk all day, and they live long. It  
follows, therefore, that at the family table all  
should meet and do it habitually, to make  
a common interchange of high-bred cour-  
tesies, of warm affections, of cheering nat-  
urality, and that generosity of nature,  
which lifts us above the brutes which per-  
ish, promotive as these things are of good  
digestion, high health, and a long life.

**CLEANLINESS.**—Compare the dirtiness of  
the water in which you have washed when  
it is cold without soap, cold with soap, hot  
with soap. You will find the first has  
hardly removed any dirt at all, the second  
a little more, and the third a great deal  
more. But hold your hand over a cup of  
hot water a minute or two, and then, by  
merely rubbing with the finger, you will  
bring off flakes of dirty skin. After a va-  
por bath you may peel your whole self  
clean in this way. What I mean is, that  
by simply washing or sponging with water  
you do not really clean your skin. Take a  
rough towel, dip one corner in very hot  
water—if a little spirit be added to it, it  
will be more effectual—and then rub as if  
you were rubbing the towel into your skin  
with your fingers. The black flakes which  
come off will convince you that you were  
not clean before, however much soap and  
water you may have used. These flakes  
are what require removing. And you can  
really keep yourself cleaner with a tumbler  
full of hot water and a rough towel and  
rubbing, than with a whole apparatus of  
bath and soap and sponge without rubbing.  
It is quite unnecessary to say that anybody  
need be dirty. Patients have been kept as  
clean by these means on a long voyage,  
when a basin full of water could not be  
afforded, and when they could not be  
moved out of their berths, as if all the ap-  
paratus of home had been at hand.

Washing, however, with a large quantity  
of water, has quite other effects than those  
of mere cleanliness. The skin absorbs the  
water and becomes more soft and more per-  
spirable. To wash with soap and soft wa-  
ter, therefore, desirable from other points  
of view than that of cleanliness.—Notes  
on Nursing by Florence Nightingale.

When does the farmer, not with great  
suspense follow his corn? When he pulls  
it out.

**INSANITY AND IMAGINATION.**  
It is a common error to suppose that in-  
sanity and imagination go off together. In-  
sanity, for one, have rarely seen them allied.—  
The boiler seldom bursts that possesses a  
safety-valve. The inmates of lunatic  
asylums are usually persons of finely strung  
nerves and limited idealism; the most unfor-  
tunate of all combinations. It is the effort  
of the dumb to speak that oversteers the  
brain. When imagination is true it is very  
stable, as well as very demonstrative.—  
Could anything have driven Voltaire crazy? Was  
not Byron the coolest of practical  
self-lovers? Who so rational as epicurean  
Tom Moore? Who so real as loyal Wal-  
ter Scott? Who so self-poised as Words-  
worth and Southey? Overwork did, in-  
deed, often the brain of some of these, but  
that might come from any continuous exer-  
tion, nursing the sick, setting up type  
reading too continuously, digesting ill, be-  
ing annoyed by debt, puzzling out problems.  
Madness is a thing apart from the physical  
condition, as I consider it. The idea of  
Pope going crazy, or Shakespeare, or old  
Sam Johnson, queer as he was, seems so  
preposterous that it makes one smile to  
think of it. And as for Charles Lamb,  
the home hero of the age, the hereditary  
taint took the form of genius with him,  
evidently, and found its safety-valve thus,  
or he might have been as wild as Bridget  
Elin. Cowper, too, was half-saved  
from madness by his genius alone. There  
stands before me, as well as I can remem-  
ber, but one exception to this ordinary rule  
in the history of the gifted, in the person of  
Dean Swift. He rises to my imagination  
like a gigantic blasted oak-tree, standing  
out lone and lightning-seathed in the midst  
of a bare and desolate heath, a mystery  
and a warning. Some cleaving curse was  
there.

Wellington and Washington.  
Lord Brougham recently uttered the  
following noble tribute to the character of  
Washington:  
"The history of latter times, indeed of  
our own country, affords a contrast to the  
failings and the virtues which we have been  
viewing, and the contemplation of which  
may well excite sorrow for the great  
genius which they perverted, and abhor-  
rence of the mischievous uses to which  
they turned it. Of our own illustrious  
captain and statesman, who defeated all  
Napoleon's marshals in the cause of his  
country and her allies, and who ended by  
overcoming Napoleon himself, it might  
not be fit to speak in this way; because,  
though no one can have the least doubt  
how he would have